

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING, MARCH 20, 2018

The Lafayette County School Board convened in regular session, Tuesday, March 20, 2018 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Amanda Hickman, Chairperson; Mrs. Marion McCray, Vice-Chair; Mr. Darren Driver, Member; Mr. Jeff Walker, Member; Mr. Taylor McGrew, Member; and Ms. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, School Board Attorney. Administrators present were Mrs. Gina Hart, Director of Teaching and Learning Services; Mrs. Tammi Maund, Director of Finance; Mr. Joey Pearson, Director of Support Services; Mr. Stewart Hancock, LHS Principal; and Mr. Stephen Clark, LES Principal.

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Amanda Hickman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Darren Driver gave the invocation and Superintendent Robert Edwards led the Pledge to the Flag.

RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - The students named below were recognized for being selected

Student of the Month for March 2018.

LES (K-2) – Aniston Bonifide

LES (3-5) – Nicole Arreguin

LMS – Zamario Thomas

LHS – Yonathan Perez-Binuelo

Students received congratulations from the Superintendent and School Board along with a Certificate of Award and Student of the Month notebook.

SUWANNEE RIVER ECONOMIC COUNCIL – LHS Principal, Stewart Hancock, recognized Stephanie Barrington and Sheila and Dan Babb, with the Suwannee River Economic Council, for their outstanding service, support and dedication to the education of the students of Lafayette County.

The Suwannee River Economic Council provides transportation for LHS students attending Big Bend

Technical College in Perry, Florida. The Superintendent and School Board thanked the SREC for the valuable service they provide for our students. Mr. Hancock presented the SREC a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of their service to our school system.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR/SRP OF THE YEAR – Angie Perry and Jenene Starling were welcomed to the meeting. Mrs. Perry, who teaches fifth grade at LES, was recently named Teacher of the Year for Lafayette School District. Mrs. Starling, a paraprofessional at LES, was chosen as School Related Employee of the Year. The Superintendent and School Board congratulated Mrs. Perry and Mrs. Starling and commended them for a job well done. Both ladies were presented a plaque in honor of their achievement.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Amanda Hickman noted a change to the agenda – Addition to Action Item 4.01 (Personnel Items – Resignation). Mrs. Hickman asked for a motion to adopt the agenda including the addition as noted. Following a motion by Mrs. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Darren Driver, the agenda was unanimously adopted by the School Board.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the February 20, 2018 school board meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray. (Minutes to be typed in Official Minute Book)

3. CONSENT ITEMS

The consent agenda, as recommended by the Superintendent, was unanimously approved on a motion by Mrs. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Darren Driver. These items are listed below:

3.01 Approved updated list of signatures for LHS Internal Accounts. (List on file in district office)

3.02 Approved 2018-2019 title IX, Part A, Project Application: Education of Homeless Children and Youth. (Project on file in district office)

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.01 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES PERSONNEL ITEMS** – A motion was made by Mr. Darren Driver to approve all personnel items as recommended by the Superintendent. Mr. Taylor McGrew gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous. These items are listed below:

(a) Notice of Retirement – Received notice of retirement letter from Cecelia Kelly, LES Secretary. Mrs. Kelley's last day of employment will be June 30, 2018.

Resignation – Accepted letter of resignation from Jashun Collins, Math Teacher at LHS, effective June 30, 2018.

(b) Recommendations – Non-Instructional – Approved Ross Wimberley for the position of Maintenance Worker for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year.

Recommendations – Substitute Teachers – Approved the individuals named below as substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year:

Dana Swords	Maureen Boatright	Kira Whittington
Brittany Camille	Alex Lira	Johnathon Gilliam

(c) Approved request from Tim Hanson, LHS Dean/Asst. Football Coach, for one (1) hour of "illness in the Line of Duty" leave for Feb. 22, 2018.

4.02 **SUMMER SCHOOL CALENDARS APPROVED BY SCHOOL BOARD** – The 2018 LES and LHS Summer School Calendars were unanimously approved by the School Board following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker. (Summer School Calendars will be posted on district website and are on file in district office)

4.03 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FUNDRAISER REQUEST** – On a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mr. Darren Driver, the following fundraiser request was unanimously approved by

the School Board: *Sale of Field Day T-Shirts*. The proceeds from this fundraiser will go the LES Awards & Incentives for Students Fund.

4.04 SCHOOL BOARD CONDUCTS PUBLIC HEARING – At 6:30 p.m. Chairperson Amanda Hickman declared that School Board would go into a public hearing to consider approval of revisions to the Student Progression Plan, as advertised. It was noted that these revisions concern attendance policies and procedures. Following discussion, with no concerns/comments being expressed, Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve the revisions to the Student Progression Plan, as advertised. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous. (Student Progression Plan on file in district office)

4.05 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES REVISED ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE – A revised Assessment Schedule for the 2017-2018 school year was presented for approval by the School Board. Mrs. Marion McCray moved to approve the revised Assessment Schedule for the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second, which was unanimously approved. (Assessment Schedule posted on district website and on file in district office)

4.06 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES AUDIT REPORT – Report No. 2018-110, a Financial and Federal Single Audit of Lafayette County District School Board, for fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 was presented for the Board's approval. Following discussion, Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve the audit report. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second. Motion carried unanimously. (Audit Report on file at district office)

4.07 FSBA ANNUAL DUES APPROVED FOR PAYMENT – Mr. Darren Driver moved to approve payment of the 2018-2019 Florida School Boards Association annual dues in the amount of \$7,000.00. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second, which was unanimously approved.

4.08 **BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT** – Mrs. Marion McCray moved to approve all bills as presented ready for payment. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. Motion carried unanimously.

(Bill list on file with Supplemental Minutes)

4.09 **BUDGET AMENDMENTS APPROVED BY SCHOOL BOARD** – The following budget amendments were unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. Darren Driver and a second by Mr. Taylor McGrew: Contracted Program Fund No. 5; and General Fund No. 3.

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

5.01 Principal's Monthly Financial Report on Internal Funds.

5.02 Purchase Orders.

5.03 Financial Statement.

5.04 Recognition of State Winners – Taylor McGrew talked with board members about recognition of students who win state honors in our school clubs/organizations such as FBLA, FFA, etc. A plaque or framed picture or certificate recognizing these students for their achievement was mentioned as a way to honor them. This could be displayed in the front office or in the classroom.

5.05 School Calendar – A letter signed by several LHS dual enrolled students was presented to board members. These students expressed their opposition to the proposed 2018-2019 school calendar that would place spring break in mid-April. This would not coincide with the spring break for North Florida Community College so these students would not have a spring break. Superintendent Edwards noted that as per the LEA & SRP Union Contracts, the school calendar shall be developed by an employee committee. The committee develops two calendar options and employees then vote to select the calendar they prefer. The contract further states that the calendar selected by the majority of the employees voting shall be adopted by the school board. Board members suggested that the dual enrollment students present their concerns to the LEA. The 2018-2019 School Calendar will be presented for approval at the April 17, 2018 school board meeting.

5.06 Legislative Review and School Safety – Superintendent Edwards gave board members a copy of SB 7026. This bill addresses the crisis of gun violence on school campuses and promotes school safety and enhanced coordination between education and law enforcement entities. Mr. Edwards gave a brief overview of the bill and what the school district will be required to

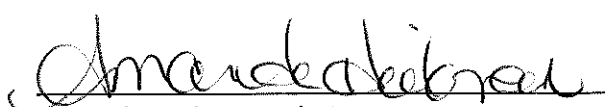
implement for the safety of students and staff. The School Board agreed to meet in Executive Session on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss this matter further.

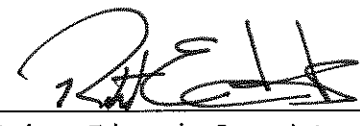
6. CITIZEN INPUT

There was no citizen input today.

ADJOURNMENT

With business complete, Mr. Jeff Walker moved to adjourn. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:30 p.m.


Amanda Hickman, Chairperson

ATTEST: 
Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board